

Porter, Sept. 17. 1852.

My dear Sir,

We all are feeling a deep interest in the proposed "Rescue" Meeting at Syracuse, on the first of October next. I trust you will have fine weather, and I know you will have a grand time, weather or no.

I think you will be pleased to hear that, with some urging, we have prevailed on Capt. Daniel Drayton to be with you at that Meeting. Could you have had the opportunity, that I have had this morning, of sitting with him an hour, seeing him, & hearing him, you would feel that his presence with you was a thing greatly to be desired, & from which much good ~~would~~ could not fail to result. Capt. D.'s looks, & 5 minute talk with him, are amply enough to convince any man that he is no mere thief, or dishonest purloiner of any man's goods. He is no ^{mere} stealer, but a practical & consistent friend of Human Liberty & Rights. We all think his presence

with you will prove a great gain to the meeting, and if you choose you can announce him. Health permitting, he will be there.

He will perhaps remain in Central New York for a short time after your meeting. He has produced a decided & excellent effect where he has been here. Mr Garrison will confer with you, at S., touching Capt. Drayton's further labours. — He is a modest man, and diffident of intruding himself, as his phrase is.

My love to all your family. Mine are at Leicester, & pretty well, saving that I hear Ade has been ailing some, in my absence of 4 or 5 days. — My father & mother are quite well, & will move into town in course of next week. — Abely is expected home by the last week in October. — My sister Mary has quite recovered her health & bloom.

With much love

Yours affly
Saml. May Jr

I go to Leicester this P.M.

Capt Drayton.
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